

Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission: Navigation Chart for Rule Rewrite

This chart is a guide for navigating the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission's new chapter, chapter 246-945 WAC, written over a two and a half year process in order to consolidate and update 33 chapters of WAC into a single new chapter. While the below chart will help navigate the new chapter, it does not include all details of every rule change since 33 separate chapters were consolidated into a single chapter. In other words, each new section does not necessarily line up perfectly with old sections.

Please note: * indicates the section had more significant changes and may partially incorporate elements from multiple sections in the old WAC or entirely new language.

New WAC	Old WAC
Part 1 Genera	al Provisions
Definitions WAC 246-945-001	This section does not establish enforceable standards, and in many cases the definitions are taken from existing rule or law and simply moved to a single definitions section.
Administrative proceedings and appeals WAC 246-945-002	WAC 246-856-020
Commission inspections and investigations WAC 246-945-005*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-190 WAC 246-879-030 WAC 246-904-020 WAC 246-869-110
Prescription and Chart Order – Minimum requirements WAC 246-945-010*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-090 WAC 246-870-030 WAC 246-871-050 WAC 246-887-020(6) WAC 246-887-020(9) Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.550

Prescription validity WAC 246-945-011*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: RCW 69.50.308
Prescription refills WAC 246-945-012	WAC 246-887-020(7) WAC 246-887-020(9)
Partial filling of prescriptions WAC 246-945-013*	New section
Minimum requirements for dispensing practitioners WAC 246-945-015	WAC 246-887-020(9)
Prescriptions – Outpatient labels – Minimum requirements WAC 246-945-016*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-210 Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.246 RCW 69.41.050
Prescriptions – Hospital inpatient labels – Minimum requirements WAC 246-945-017	WAC 246-873-080(5)(a) Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.270 (USP compliance)
Labeling: Prepackaged product WAC 246-945-018	WAC 246-873-060

Records retention period and commission access to records WAC 246-945-020* Prescription drug price advertising	New section, but partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-100 WAC 246-869-110 WAC 246-869-190 WAC 246-870-030 WAC 246-871-050 WAC 246-873-080 WAC 246-874-050 WAC 246-875-070 WAC 246-881-020
WAC 246-945-025	WAC 246-881-030
Identification of legend drugs for the purposes of chapter 69.41 RCW WAC 246-945-030*	New section
Ephedrine prescription restrictions WAC 246-945-031	WAC 246-883-030
Child-resistant containers WAC 246-945-032*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-230
Over the counter drugs WAC 246-945-033	WAC 246-885-030(4)
Drug sample prohibitions WAC 246-945-035	WAC 246-877-020
Regulated steroids WAC 246-945-037	WAC 246-883-040
Availability and identity of amygdalin. WAC 246-945-038	WAC 246-897-020 WAC 246-897-060

Uniform Controlled Substances Act WAC 246-945-040	WAC 246-887-020
Designation of nonnarcotic stimulant drugs for the purpose of RCW 69.50.402(1)(c) WAC 246-945-043	WAC 246-887-040
Prescribing, dispensing, or administering of schedule II nonnarcotic stimulants WAC 246-945-045	WAC 246-887-045
Sodium pentobarbital registration disciplinary action WAC 246-945-047	WAC 246-887-080
Authority to control WAC 246-945-050	WAC 246-887-090
Schedule I WAC 246-945-051	WAC 246-887-100
Schedule II WAC 246-945-052	WAC 246-887-140
Schedule II immediate precursors WAC 246-945-053	WAC 246-887-150
Schedule III WAC 246-945-054	WAC 246-887-160

Schedule IV WAC 246-945-055	WAC 246-887-170
Schedule V WAC 246-945-056	WAC 246-887-180
Other controlled substance registrants—Requirements. WAC 246-945-060	WAC 246-887-200
Precursor definitions WAC 246-945-063	New section
Precursor substance control WAC 246-945-065	Current WAC 246-889-020 amended to remove redundancies that are already identified in RCW 69.43.
Reports of precursor receipt WAC 246-945-070	WAC 246-889-030
Precursor substance monthly reporting WAC 246-945-072	WAC 246-889-040
Suspicious transactions and reporting requirements WAC 246-945-075	WAC 246-889-050
Precursor substance requirements for the sale of restricted product WAC 246-945-077	WAC 246-889-085

Record of sales—Electronic methamphetamine precursor tracking WAC 246-945-078	WAC 246-889-095
Acceptable forms of photo identification WAC 246-945-080	WAC 246-889-090
Maintenance of and access to retail sales records of restricted products WAC 246-945-085	WAC 246-889-110
Exemptions from electronic reporting WAC 246-945-087	WAC 246-889-115
Denial of a sale WAC 246-945-088	WAC 246-889-120
Home dialysis program—Legend drugs WAC 246-945-090	WAC 246-905-020
Home dialysis – Pharmacist consultant WAC 246-945-091	WAC 246-905-030
Home dialysis –Records WAC 246-945-092	WAC 246-905-040

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Home dialysis –Quality assurance WAC 246-945-093	WAC 246-905-050		
Compounding minimum standards WAC 246-945-100*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.270		
Part 2 Gener	Part 2 General Licensing		
License required WAC 246-945-145*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.020		
Applicable forms WAC 246-945-150*	New section		
Pharmacy interns - registration requirements WAC 246-945-155	WAC 246-858-020 (1) WAC 246-858-030 WAC 246-858-040		
Pharmacy intern – Temporary practice permit WAC 246-945-156*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-836-035		
Pharmacist license qualifications WAC 246-945-162*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-858-020(3) WAC 246-863-040 WAC 246-863-120		
Certification of internship hours WAC 246-945-163	WAC 246-858-050		

Pharmacist licensure and jurisprudence examinations WAC 246-945-165*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-863-020
Pharmacist licensure by license transfer – Temporary practice permits WAC 246-945-170*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-863-030
Expired pharmacist license WAC 246-945-173*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-863-090 246-12 WAC, Part 2
Pharmacist inactive credential WAC 246-945-175	WAC 246-863-070
Pharmacist continuing education WAC 246-945-178*	New section, partially incorporates: Chapter 246-861 WAC Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 43.70.442
Nuclear pharmacist endorsement WAC 246-945-180	WAC 246-903-030
Pharmacy assistant WAC 246-945-200	WAC 246-901-080 WAC 246-901-120 (referring only to assistants)
Pharmacy technician-in-training authority for experiential training WAC 246-945-203*	New section

Pharmacy technician certification WAC 246-945-205*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-901-030 WAC 246-901-060 WAC 246-901-120
Pharmacy technician – Temporary practice permit – Military spouse eligibility and issuance WAC 246-945-210*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: Chapter 18.340 RCW
Pharmacy technician education and training programs WAC 246-945-215*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-901-050 RCW 18.64A
	Also codifies policy statement, "HIV/AIDS Education and Training for Initial Credentialing"
Technician expired status WAC 246-945-217	WAC 246-901-065
Pharmacy technician – Continuing education WAC 246-945-220*	New section, but partially incorporates: WAC 246-901-061
General information, change of location, ownership, or new construction WAC 246-945-230	WAC 246-869-030 WAC 246-873A-020 WAC 246-879-070(3) WAC 246-879-080 WAC 246-907
Pharmacy licensing WAC 246-945-232	WAC 246-869
Hospital pharmacy associated clinics WAC 246-945-233*	Chapter 246-873A
Nonresident pharmacy license WAC 246-945-235*	New section

Health care entity license WAC 246-945-245*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-904-020 WAC 246-904-030	
Wholesaler WAC 246-945-246*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-879-070(6)(b) WAC 246-879-090 WAC 246-879-120	
Pharmaceutical manufacturer license WAC 246-945-247*	New section	
Research and other controlled substance registration WAC 246-945-250*	New section	
Shopkeeper registration WAC 246-945-253*	New section	
Animal control and humane society registration WAC 246-945-254	WAC 246-886-020	
Chemical capture – Department of fish and wildlife WAC 246-945-255*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-886-160	
Part 3 Professional Standards		
Pharmacist professional responsibilities WAC 246-945-305	WAC 246-863-095	
Responsible pharmacy manager WAC 246-945-310*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-070 WAC 246-904-030 WAC 246-873-040 WAC 246-873A-030 WAC 246-873-080	

Delegation of pharmacy functions to pharmacy ancillary personnel WAC 246-945-315*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-901-020 WAC 246-901-070
Tech check tech WAC 246-945-317	WAC 246-901-035(1) and includes the definition from WAC 246-901-010(10).
Nondelegable tasks WAC 246-945-320*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-863-095(2)
Patient counseling WAC 246-945-325*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-220
Refilling prescriptions WAC 246-945-330*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-100(2)(f)
Continuity of care WAC 246-945-332*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-105
Prescription adaptation WAC 246-945-335*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.011 RCW 18.64.520
Prescriptions – Drug product substitutions WAC 246-945-340*	New section, but based on the authority provided in: RCW 69.41.120
Prescription transfers WAC 246-945-345	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-090
Collaborative drug therapy agreements WAC 246-945-350	WAC 246-863-100

Monitoring of drug therapy by pharmacist WAC 246-945-355*	New section, partially incorporates WAC 246-863-110 Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.64.011(28)
Patient rights WAC 246-945-360	WAC 246-863-095(4)
Approval of impaired practitioner substance abuse monitoring program WAC 246-945-365*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-887-040 Also based on the authority provided in: RCW 18.130.175
Sexual misconduct WAC 246-945-370	WAC 246-860-100
Part 4 Operation	onal Standards
Applicability WAC 246-945-405	New section
Facility standards WAC 246-945-410*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-860-020(7) WAC 246-863-095 WAC 246-863-110(3) WAC 246-865-060 WAC 246-869-010 WAC 246-869-020 WAC 246-869-150(1) WAC 246-869-180(1) WAC 246-869-180(1) WAC 246-870-070 WAC 246-871-020 WAC 246-871-050 WAC 246-873-040 WAC 246-873-050(2)(a) WAC 246-873-070

Dispensing and delivery of prescription drugs WAC 246-645-415*	WAC 246-873A-030 WAC 246-873A-040 WAC 246-874-030 WAC 246-874-040 WAC 246-875-040 WAC 246-878-040 WAC 246-887-020(4) WAC 246-901-100 WAC 246-901-130(2) WAC 246-904-020 WAC 246-904-030 New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-010 WAC 246-871-050 (5) WAC 246-873A-050(2)
Electronic systems for patient medication records, prescriptions, chart orders, and controlled substance records WAC 246-945-417*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-875-001 WAC 246-875-010 WAC 246-875-050 WAC 246-875-060 WAC 246-875-070(3)
Paper recordkeeping procedure WAC 246-945-418	WAC 246-873-090 WAC 246-875-030
Facility inventory requirements WAC 246-945-420*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-070 WAC 246-869-250 WAC 246-869-190(1)(b) WAC 246-887-020(3) WAC 246-904-030
Shared pharmacy services WAC 246-945-425*	New section, codifies what is in the commission's "Technology and Services Guidelines" regarding shared pharmacy services
Pharmacies storing, dispensing and delivering drugs to patients without a pharmacist on-site WAC 246-945-430*	New section, but partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-020(1)

Provision of emergency department discharge medications when pharmacy services are unavailable WAC 246-945-435	WAC 246-873-060
Administration of patient owned medications WAC 246-945-440	WAC 246-873-090(3)
Investigational drugs WAC 246-945-445	WAC 246-873-100
Accessing technology used to dispense – Nursing students WAC 246-945-450	WAC 246-874-070
Drugs stored outside of the pharmacy WAC 246-945-455*	New section
Staffing and supervision of pharmacy staff WAC 246-945-460	WAC 246-901-130
Facility reporting requirements WAC 246-945-480*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-863-060 WAC 246-869-250 Also codifies policy statement: "Closing a Pharmacy – Patient Notification"
Destruction or return of drugs or devices – Restrictions WAC 246-945-485*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-869-130
Nuclear pharmacies WAC 246-945-490	WAC 246-903-020
Nuclear pharmacies: Minimum equipment requirements WAC 246-945-492	WAC 246-903-040
Humane societies, animal control agencies and department of fish and wildlife chemical capture programs – Designated person	WAC 246-886-060 WAC 246-886-160

WAC 246-945-500	
VVAC 240-340-000	
Humane societies, animal control agencies and department of fish and wildlife chemical capture programs – Authorized Personnel	WAC 246-886-040 WAC 246-886-190
WAC 246-945-503	NAC 240 000 020
Humane societies and animal control agencies – Approved legend drugs and approved controlled substances WAC 246-945-505	WAC 246-886-030 WAC 246-886-035 WAC 246-886-050
Department of fish and wildlife chemical capture programs – Approved Legend Drugs and Controlled Substances WAC 246-945-507	WAC 246-886-180 WAC 246-886-220
Humane societies, animal control agencies and department of fish and wildlife chemical capture programs – Recordkeeping and reports WAC 246-945-510	WAC 246-886-080 WAC 246-886-210
Human societies, animal control agencies, and department of fish and wildlife chemical capture programs – drug storage and field Use WAC 246-945-515*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-886-090 WAC 246-886-200
Manufacturers – Minimum standards WAC 246-945-550	WAC 246-895
Teat dip containers WAC 246-945-553	WAC 246-895-090
Wholesaler – Minimum standards – Scope WAC 246-945-555*	New section
Wholesaler - Facility standards WAC 246-945-560	WAC 246-879-020 WAC 246-879-050

Wholesaler – Drug storage WAC 246-945-565	WAC 246-879-020
Wholesaler – Drug shipment inspection requirements WAC 246-945-570	WAC 246-879-020
Wholesaler – Recordkeeping WAC 246-945-575	WAC 246-879-040
Wholesaler – Personnel WAC 246-945-580*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-879-020(6) WAC 246-879-070(6)(d)
Wholesaler – Suspicious orders and due diligence WAC 246-945-585*	New section
Wholesaler – Policies and procedures WAC 246-945-590*	New section, partially incorporates: WAC 246-879-020(5)
Wholesaler and manufacturer – Prohibited acts WAC 246-945-595*	New section
Salvaging and reprocessing WAC 246-945-600	WAC 246-879-100